THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI j. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) The letter of intent and approvals of foreign collaboration have been given.

Gas based Thermal Plants by NFPC

117. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL; KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the NTPC has undertaken to set up- gas based thermal plants in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI).- (a) and (b) The National Thermal power Corporation are implementing three gas-based Combined Cycle power projects at Kawas in Gujart (600 MW), Auraiya in U.P. (600 MW) and Anta in Rajasthan (430 MW), at an estimated cost of Rs. 1,200 crores. The first gas turbine units of the projects are scheduled to be commissioned in 24 months from the dates of placement of orders for main plant and equipment and the remaining units at intervals of two months each thereafter. The first steam turbine units are scheduled for commissioning 36 months after placement of orders and the subsequent units at intervals of four months each there, after.

Pending Power Projects of Punjab

118. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details or the various propsals of Punjab State pending with . the . centre for aug-mentation of power supply in the State; and

(b) what action has been taken in respect of each of these proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI); (a) The detailg of the power generation schemes of Punjab State pending approval are given in the enclosed statement (See below).

('b) Approval of projects for execution depends upon the comprehensiveness of the project reports, expeditious response of the project authorities to the various com. ments/observations of the Central Electricty Authority/Central Water Commission, availability of requisite clearances/inputs and the rlative priority accorded to the projects by the State Government in terms ot allocation of funds.- The State Government has to obtain the various clearances, reply to the various comments and arrange funds for these projects before . these can be san-tioned.

Statement

Details of power generation schemes of Punjab State pending approval

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Capacity (MW)
A.	*Projects awaiting Investment approval of Planning Commission.*	
1	Shahpurkandi HEP	2x47
2	Guru Nanak Dev (Bhatinda) TPS Extn.	2x210
3	Ropar TPS St. III	2x210
4	Mukerian HEP	6x15 + 6x19.5
5	SYL (H).	2x18+2x7

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Capacity (MW)
B. *Under Techno-economic appraisal in Central Electricity Authority*		
1	UBDC (Hydel)	2x15
2	Doraha TPS	2x210
3	Dhuri TPS	2x500

उत्तर प्रदेश और बिहार में प्लास्टिक उद्योग

119. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :** क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने उत्तर प्रदेश और बिहार में प्लास्टिक उद्योग के संवर्धन के लिए कोई कदम उठाए हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उनका ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो उसके कारण क्या हैं ; और

(घ) इस संबंध में सरकार की भावी योजनाएं क्या हैं ?

उद्योग मंत्री (श्री जे० वेंगल राव) : (क) से (घ) देश में प्लास्टिक उद्योग को बढ़ावा देने के लिए सरकार द्वारा उठाए गए कदमों में प्रोसेसिंग एककों को कच्चे माल की उपलब्धता को सरल बनाने के उपाय, प्लास्टिक उद्योगों को प्रशिक्षण तथा अन्य सेवाओं के लिये सुविधाओं की स्थापना करना, जानकारी का प्रसार करना आदि शामिल है ।

सेन्ट्रल इंस्टिट्यूट आफ प्लास्टिक इंजीनियरिंग एण्ड टेक्नोलाजी, मद्रास, प्लास्टिक उद्योग प्रशिक्षण सुविधाओं और अन्य सेवाओं की आवश्यकता पूरी करने के लिए उत्तर प्रदेश में लखनऊ में एक विस्तार केन्द्र स्थापित कर रहा है ।

भावी योजनाओं में प्लास्टिक की विभिन्न कच्ची सामग्रियों के निर्माण के लिए देश में अतिरिक्त क्षमताओं की स्थापना करना, कृषि में प्लास्टिक के प्रयोग को बढ़ावा देने के लिए विभिन्न स्थानों पर 22 प्लास्टिक कल्चर विकास केन्द्रों की स्थापना करना आदि शामिल है । इस कार्यक्रम में बिहार में भी उद्योग का विकास करना शामिल है ।

New Car by Maruti Udyog Ltd.

120. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Maruti Udyog Ltd. is planning to produce cars with bigger seating capacity than at present;

(b) if go, what are the details of the plans and the additional funds earmarked for the same; and

(c) what is the capacity of the new car and by when it will come into the market?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a)- Yes, Sir. Maruti Udyog Limited have submitted a proposal which is under consideration of the Government.

(b) and (c) The proposal is to jnarmfacture 30.000 cars per annum of 1000 cc engine capacity. It involves an investment of Rs. 93.65 crores which will be met by additional equity from Suzuki Motor Company of Japan and from internally generated resources of ; the Company. No additional financial support from Government is envisaged in the proposal. '. The' production is expected • to " commence in about two years from the date of approval of the Project.

जालान ग्रुप को बम्बई में गैस वितरण के कार्य को सौंपा जाना

121. **श्री सुब्रह्मण्यम स्वामी :**
श्री रशीद मसूद :

क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बम्बई शहर में प्राकृतिक गैस के वितरण का कार्य